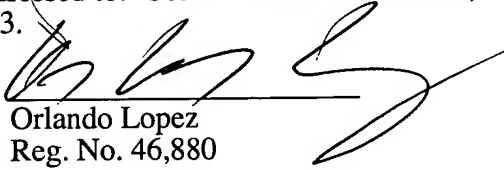


CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service via Express Mail Label No. EL449696993U, addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on July 16, 2003.


Orlando Lopez
Reg. No. 46,880**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Luis O. Tedeschi, et al.
Application Serial Number: N/A
Filed: Herewith
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INDIVIDUAL CATTLE MANAGEMENT

Examiner: N/A
Group Art Unit: N/A

PERKINS, SMITH & COHEN, LLP
One Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02108
(617) 854-4000

To: Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449) (including copies of references) is submitted under 37 CFR 1.97(b).

REMARKS

Applicant submits herewith an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(b).

In view of the voluminous nature of the references submitted herewith, the copies of the references are provided on a CD-ROM in a padded envelope attached hereto.

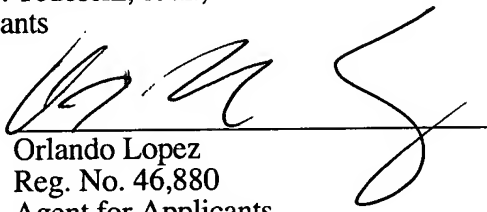
The following information is presented in the event that a call may be deemed desirable by the Examiner:

ORLANDO LOPEZ (617) 854-4000.

Respectfully submitted,
Luis O. Tedeschi, et al.,
Applicants

Dated: July 16, 2003

By:


Orlando Lopez
Reg. No. 46,880
Agent for Applicants

FORM PTO-1449
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 10845-147

APPLICATION SERIAL NO.: N/A

GROUP ART UNIT: N/A

APPLICANTS: Luis O. Tedeschi, et al.

EXAMINER: N/A

FILING DATE: Herewith

CONFIRMATION NO.: N/A

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS/SUB- CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,351,644	10/04/94	Everett	119/14.01	
	5,673,647	10/07/97	Pratt	119/51.02	
	6,000,361	12/14/99	Pratt	119/51.02	
	6,135,055	10/24/00	Pratt	119/51.02	
	6,318,289 B1*	11/20/01	Pratt	119/51.02	10/25/99

OTHER DOCUMENTS

(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	A) Perry, T.C. and Fox, D.G. (1997) "Predicting Carcass Composition and Individual Feed Requirement in Live Cattle Widely Varying in Body Size." J. Anim. Sci. 75:300-307.
	B) "Nutritional Requirements for Beef Cattle." (2000) National Academies Press, 7th Revised Edition.
	C) Fox, D.G., Tedeschi, L.O. and Guiroy, P.J. (2001). "A Decision Support System for Individual Cattle Management." Proc. Cornell Nutr. Conf. for Feed Manuf. (Oct. 16-18, 2001), pp. 64-76.
	D) Guiroy, P.J., Fox, D.G., Tedeschi, L.O., Baker, M.J. and Cravey, M.D. (2001) "Predicting individual feed requirements of cattle fed in groups." J. Anim. Sci. 79:1983-1995.
	E) Fox, D.G., Tedeschi, L.O. and Guiroy, P.J. (2001) "Determining Feed Intake and Feed Efficiency of Individual Cattle Fed in Groups." Presented at the 33rd BIF Conference, July 11-14, 2001.
	F) Fox, D.G., Tedeschi, L.O., and Baker, M.J. (2002) "Determining Post-Weaning Feed Efficiency in Beef Cattle." Presented at the 34th BIF Conference, July 10-13, 2002.
	G) Fox, D.G., Tylutki, T.P., Tedeschi, L.O., Van Amburgh, M.E., Chase, L.E., Pell, A.N., Overton, T.R. and Russell, J.B. (2003) "The Net Carbohydrate and Protein System for Evaluating Herd Nutrition and Nutrient Excretion." Version 5.0, Mimeo 213, Animal Science Dept. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.

* These patents are representative of the state of the art but published after or less than one year prior to Applicant's priority date. Therefore, if any such item is considered sufficiently relevant by the Examiner to the present invention, its possible "prior art" status against the present invention should be considered individually allowing for the prospect of swearing back or other priority determination.

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED